

Dear Book Club Host:

Welcome back to The 39 Clues Book Club! If you're new to the club, don't forget to check out the **Establish Your Stronghold** introductory theme and get ready to embark on another exciting adventure in reading fun!

This month, you and your club members will set off to discover more about the mysterious global influence of the Cahill family. Follow the instructions below and use the associated reproducible handouts to help your club members demonstrate their travel smarts with this month's theme: **Build Your Worldwide Network.**

Activity 1: World Famous Cahills

Prepare ahead: 1) Write the names of the seven continents (North America, South America, Europe, Asia, Antarctica, Africa, Australia) on sheets of paper and tape them to different parts of your meeting location (i.e., Europe is the bookshelf, North America is the table, etc.). 2) Photocopy the WORLD FAMOUS CAHILLS handout and cut along the dotted lines. 3) Hide half of the Hint Cards on their corresponding "continent" (within books, behind lights, etc.). Keep the other half of each hint to hand out to each Branch Team.

PART A: Engage club members in a lively discussion about the globe-trotting Cahill family! Separate club members into their Cahill branches and ask each branch to sit together. (If your club members haven't selected their branches, consider completing the CAHILL BRANCH QUIZ handout from the **Establish Your Stronghold** theme.)

PART B: Hand out four Hint Cards to each Branch Team. Point out that each Hint Card lists a famous Cahill and his or her last known location. Explain that corresponding Hint Cards with more information about each famous person are hiding somewhere in your room. Challenge each team to be the first to search the continents to find their missing Cahills!

Club members can search each "continent" randomly or use any reference materials to find their famous relatives. The first team to identify the countries and match the Hint Cards of all four members of their historic Cahill family wins the challenge!

Activity 2: A Super-Secret Secret

Prepare ahead: 1) Photocopy the A SUPER-SECRET SECRET handout. 2) Make sure club members have access to the Internet or to travel books or brochures. If you don't have these materials, have club members use their imagination or details they remember from The 39 Clues books.

Your club members have been selected to hide their branch's newest secret codebook! Their job is to select an international hiding place and collect enough information so that future Cahills will be able to find it. Separate club members back into their Cahill branches. If any group has more than four members, consider separating them into two teams. Distribute the SUPER-SECRET SECRET handout. When groups have completed the handout, challenge them to deliver the information in secret Have them come up with a creative way to keep the information hidden!

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Activity 3: Clued In

Prepare ahead: Photocopy the CLUED IN handouts.

Amy and Dan's travels have taken them all across the globe! Look at the map on the CLUED IN (A) handout and try to remember what happened to Amy, Dan, and the other Cahills in these locations. For example, in *The Maze of Bones*, where do Amy and Dan find the first clue? (Paris, France). In *One False Note*, who finds Amy and Dan on the train to Vienna, Austria? (The Holts). Discuss how to use the map key and scale.

Look at the CLUED IN (B) handout and read the instructions. Use the clues and the map to discover the answer to the new fact about Ian Kabra!

Answer Key: 1. *The Maze of Bones*, M; 2. *Beyond the Grave*, B; 3. *The Sword Thief*, T; 4. *One False Note*, O; 5. *The Viper's Nest*, N; 6. *Into the Gauntlet*, U; 7. *Vespers Rising*, R; 8. *In Too Deep*, T; 9. *Storm Warning*, S. Question answer: Mr. Buttons.

Activity 4: Hidden Legends of the Cahills

Prepare ahead: Photocopy the HIDDEN LEGENDS OF THE CAHILLS handout. (Make enough copies for each group of five.)

PART A: Get ready to write your own wacky Cahill story! Ask club members to imagine that they are members of the Cahill family while they answer a few fun questions. Instruct them to write down any ideas that come to mind as they hear the questions. There are no right or wrong answers! Ask:

- What types of locations are perfect for Cahill family strongholds?
- Other than the Cahill family members, who knows about The 39 Clues and the family fortune?
- What are the most amazing international locations Amy and Dan could travel to?
- What clues and/or treasures would you like to uncover?
- What would you do if you were in control of the Cahill fortune?

PART B: Separate club members into groups of five and distribute one HIDDEN LEGENDS OF THE CAHILLS handout to each group. Explain that each group will create a silly, collaborative story. Ask each group to sit in a circle and choose who will write first. Then, walk club members through the process step-by-step using the examples on the handout. Remind them to hide their work; the stories are more fun if everyone's contribution is a surprise! When the story is complete, ask the groups to unfold the legend and read it out loud to the club.

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World Famous Cahills

Host Instructions: Cut out the HINT CARDS below. Then hide the cards on the LEFT on the seven "continents" throughout your meeting area (behind books, under lights, etc.). Keep the HINT CARDS on the RIGHT to hand out to club members, distributing appropriate hints to corresponding branch teams.

HINT CARDS TO HIDE

Name: Marie Curie

I won two Nobel Prizes for my scientific work. My country: Poland

My country: Poland Continent: Europe



My political skills and strength united my country

My country: England Continent: Europe



I led the development of science, military and communications satellites, and spacecraft.

My country: Ukraine Continent: Europe

Name: Benjamin Franklin

I am a founding father of the United States.

My country: USA

Continent: North America

Name: Bessie Blount

I invented a device that allowed amputees to feed themselves.

My country: USA

Continent: North America

Name: Wilbur and Orville Wright

We built and flew the first powered airplane.

Our country: USA

Continent: North America

Name: Georgia O'Keeffe

I captured the natural beauty of the world on

canvas.

My country: USA

Continent: North America

Name: Gabriel García Márquez

I received the Nobel Prize for literature.

My country: Colombia Continent: South America



HINT CARDS FOR STUDENT TEAMS

Name: Marie Curie

I discovered the element radium. I am from: Warsaw, Poland



Name: Queen Elizabeth I

I am a powerful queen. My city: London, England



Name: Sergei Korolev

I am known as the father of the Russian

Space Program.

I am from: Zhitomir, Ukraine



Name: Benjamin Franklin

I am a famous writer and thinker.
I was born in: Boston, Massachusetts



Name: Bessie Blount

I am a physical therapist and inventor. I am from: Hickory, Virginia



Name: Wilbur and Orville Wright

We are bicycle mechanics and inventors. We took off in: Kitty Hawk, North Carolina



Name: Georgia O'Keeffe

I am an artist famous for my paintings. I painted in: New Mexico



Name: Gabriel García Márquez

I am a writer and my style has been called "magical."

I was born in: Aracata, Colombia



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World Famous Cahills

HINT CARDS TO HIDE

Name: Wandjuk Marika

I am the author of *The Aboriginal Children's* History of Australia.

My country: Australia Continent: Australia



I created a large nation in my country.

My country: South Africa

Continent: Africa



Name: Alexandrine Tinné

I am famous for my search for the source of

the Nile River.

My country: Netherlands

Continent: Europe



Name: Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

I wrote over 600 works of music.

My country: Austria Continent: Europe



Name: Rigoberta Menchú

I won the Nobel Peace Prize for my work for

social justice.

My country: Guatemala Continent: South America



Name: Ching Shih

I led over 1,500 ships and retired from piracy

undefeated.

My country: China Continent: Asia



Name: Toyotomi Hideyoshi

I unified different political groups.

My country: Japan Continent: Asia



Name: Amelia Earhart

I was the first woman to fly solo across the

Atlantic Ocean.

My country: USA

Continent: North America



HINT CARDS FOR STUDENT TEAMS

Name: Wandjuk Marika

I am an Aboriginal artist, painter, actor, composer,

and activist.

My clan: The Rirratjingu clan



Name: Shaka Zulu

I am a famous warrior and king. My nation: Zulu Kingdom



Name: Alexandrine Tinné

I was the first European woman to attempt to cross the Sahara Desert.

I explored: Africa



Name: Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

I am a famous composer. I was born in: Salzburg, Austria



Name: Rigoberta Menchú

I am a world-famous activist. I was born in: El Quiché, Guatemala



Name: Ching Shih

I am a brilliant battle strategist. I am from: Canton, China



Name: Toyotomi Hideyoshi

I am the greatest warrior in the history of my country.

I was born in: Nakamura-ku, Nagoya



Name: Amelia Earhart

I am a famous pilot.

I was born in: Atchison, Kansas



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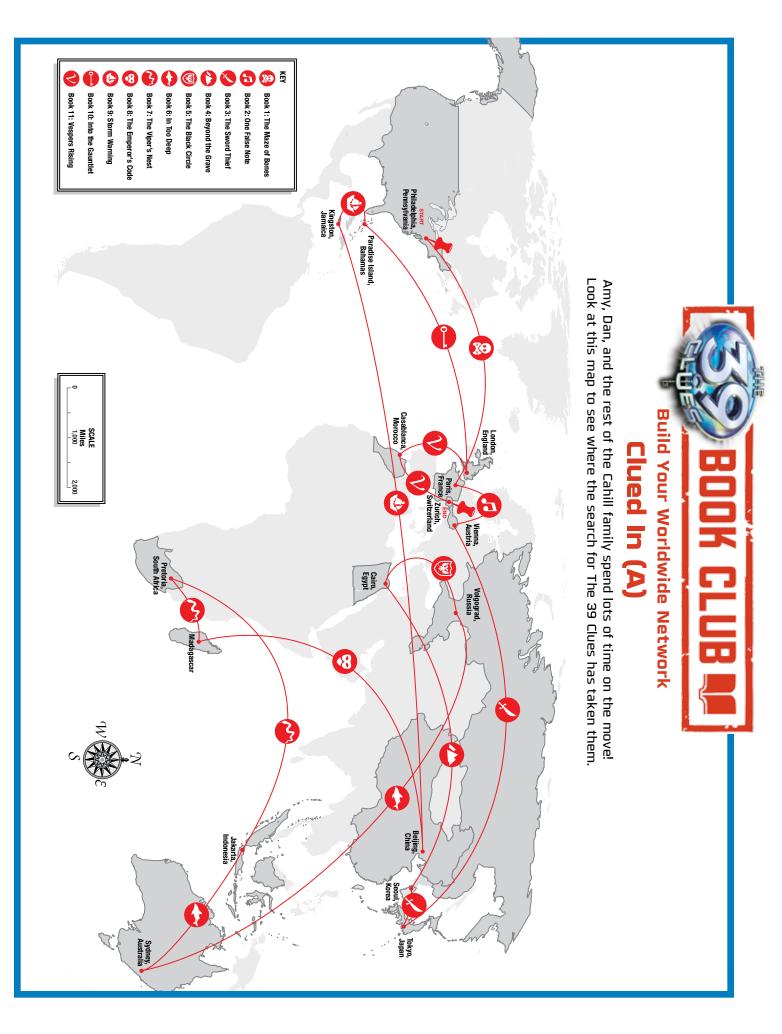
A Super-Secret Secret

Get ready, Cahills! It's up to you to hide your branch's secret codebook. Choose a location anywhere in the world. Then collect all the information future Cahills will need to find the codebook. And remember, trust no one!

LOCATION:	
What is this country famous for?	
What language will we need to speak?	
What kind of food will we eat when we arrive?	
What kind of clothes should we pack?	
What is the country's terrain?	
What should we bring to blend in?	
What is your branch's secret weapon?	
Now that you've selected your hiding place, devise a hint using the information above future Cahills directly to it. (For example, a codebook hidden in Canada could have a hin a hockey-loving country whose symbol is a red maple leaf. Most of us speak English might be a good idea to practice your French!)	nt such as: <i>Look</i>
Challenge! Use your club's secret code to encrypt your hint. (Refer to the Establish Your Cahill Stheme for code activity, if necessary.)	

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Clued In (B)

It's important to know all you can about your friends...and your rivals! Use the map to answer these questions. Then unscramble the circled letters to discover a secret about Ian Kabra!

 In which book do Amy and Dan start their journey with a wild flight from Philadelphia, PA to Paris, France? Book Title:

Circle the first letter of the second word in the title.

2. In which book do Amy and Dan board a flight from Seoul, Korea to explore the home of the pyramids? Book Title:

Circle the first letter of the first word in this title.

3. In which book do Amy and Dan take an 8,000 mile journey, starting in Europe and traveling to the far eastern side of Asia?

Book Title:

Circle the first letter of the third word in this title.

4. In which book do Amy and Dan board a train to travel from the home of the Eiffel Tower to Mozart's birthplace in Austria? Book Title:

Circle the first letter of the first word in the title.

5. In which book do Amy and Dan travel to an island continent, east of Africa? Book Title:

Circle the first letter of the third word in this title.

6. The "key" to this hint is finding the book that takes Amy and Dan from a tropical paradise to the home of Queen Elizabeth I. Book Title:

Circle the third letter of the last word in this title.

7. In which book do Amy and Dan visit the African city of Casablanca and discover a new threat to the Cahill family? Book Title:

Circle the first letter of the second word in this title.

8. In which book do Amy and Dan visit two islands in the southern hemisphere?

Book Title:

Circle the first letter of the second word in this title.

9. In which book do Amy and Dan sail around the tropical islands south of the United States? Book Title:

Circle the first letter of the first word in this title.

Unscramble the circled letters to find the answer to this question:

What is the name of Ian Kabra's teddy bear?

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Hidden Legends of the Cahills

Fill in the first blank as instructed, then fold the paper over and pass it to the person to your right. Fill in the next blank, fold the paper, and pass it to the next person. Continue passing the paper until all of the blanks are filled in. When the story is complete, unfold the paper and see what kind of silly story you've created!

le.g., in a mysterious mansion on a tiny		
island in the Pacific Ocean)	(setting)	
	fold here	
Introduce two characters (e.g., Grace Cahill's cat and		
an evil cousin)	(two characters)	
	fold here	
Determine two actions (e.g.,		
twirled fire sticks		
and painted their toenails)	(two actions)	
	fold here	
Explain what they		
discovered (e.g., they uncovered a plot to		
steal the final clue	(a discovery)	
from Dan and Amy)		
	fold here	
Describe the mark they made		
on history (e.g.,		
they accidentally		
discovered how to make gold)	(a legend)	

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